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that I can go out, and I'd like to have the opportunity to visit some of these facilities and talk to the people who operate them, the director of the private prison unit, and go from there. And I think that Senator Wickersham has said, we don't have anybody in District 44 that's even been approached about a private prison. But the way the bill is structured now, it would simply forbid any of that. So I'd like to slow the process down just a bit, take a look at things, and come back next session. And I may very well vote for the bill then. But I'd like the opportunity to go out and visit some of these facilities. They're so close to my district that it's not a big inconvenience to run over to Burlington and spend a day with them, look the thing over, and come back and...I'd have a better basis on which to vote. So with that, I'd ask that we slow this process down. It's not going to be like we're killing the bill. We're going to pull it back and offer...and have an amendment, and readvance it, I would assume. So that's all I'm asking, is that we look at Senator Quandahl's amendment and go from there. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Baker. Senator Quandahl.

SENATOR QUANDAH: Thank you, Mr. President. I would point out, we do have a couple of different options available to us here. One of them is my motion to return this to Select File for the specific amendment that I think addresses one of the main problems...and as does Senator Wickersham...with this particular bill. That's one option that we could take. Another one that I mentioned before is, LB 175 (sic--LB 751) remains on General File. It will remain on General File throughout the interim, unless we kill it. Then we can address the issue next year. I believe I recall from Tuesday, which is the first time that this bill came up on pretty much everybody's radar screen,...not everybody's, but pretty much everybody...that there was a statement made that the exclusion of federal prisoners, that's Section 5 and 6, the committee amendments, was integral for the advancement of the bill out of the committee. So the very provisions that Senator Wickersham and I do too contend will basically fatally...make the bill fatally flawed, were added as a condition of advancing this particular bill. And so that is